

ARIZONA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD
MINUTES OF PUBLIC SESSION HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2004, PHOENIX, AZ

A Public Session of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board was convened on September 15, 2004, at the AZ POST facility, located at 2643 East University Drive, Phenix, Arizona.

Members Present:

Deputy Tamatha Villar
Sheriff Gary Butler
Ms. Lisa Flores
Commander Gary Hughes
Chief Jerry Sheridan
Dr. Michael Polakowski
Sergeant Heriberto Zuniga
Chief Jack Harris
Mr. Joseph Duarte
Chief Patricia Huntsman
Ms. Laura Reckart
Deputy Director Gary Phelps

Staff in Attendance:

Tom Hammarstrom, Executive Director
Lyle Mann, Deputy Director
Bob Forry, Manager
Lyndon Larson, Test Administrator
Ted Brandon, Compliance Specialist
Curt Milam, Compliance Specialist
Gary Maschner, Compliance Specialist
Marie Dryer, Compliance Specialist
Steve Jacobs, Compliance Specialist
Lois Sherlock, Admin Assistant
Ed Felix, Systems Administrator
Hop Bui, Computer Specialist
Rosalee Fitch, Training Officer
Donna Freed, Administrative Secretary
Sgt. Crista Capp, Training Officer
Shari Dahlback, Administrative Secretary
Ofcr Mark Zbojniewicz, Tucson PD
Sgt. Rick Watling, Training Officer

Attorney for the Public Body Present:

Diana Stabler, Assistant Attorney General

Guests in Attendance:

None

A. Call to Order:

At 10:05 a.m. Chairperson Sheriff Gary Butler called the meeting to order.

B. Orientation for New Board Members.

Director Tom Hammarstrom introduced and welcomed the new board members; Chief Patricia Huntsman, Sergeant Heriberto Zuniga, Mr. Joseph Duarte and Chief Jack Harris. Director Hammarstrom reviewed AZ POST duties and statutory responsibilities, history, funding, meeting scheduling, and introduced staff.

Deputy Directory Lyle Mann covered the training aspects of his section, the telecourse and library functions and explained his responsibilities with the legislative and rules promulgation process.

Testing Administrator Lyndon Larson provided input on the Comprehensive Testing process for academy recruits, as well as statistics and future projections.

Standards and Compliance Manager Bob Forry gave a summary of his section and the audit functions of its staff and information concerning the cases that come before the Board.

Assistant Attorney General Diana Stabler provided an orientation for the members concerning their duties as a member of the public body. She reviewed meeting protocol, public records policy, conflict of interest issues, member recusal, and ex parte communication guidelines.

C. Consideration of initiating complaints against peace officer certification based upon reports of misconduct.

Case #1 Christopher N. Bratcher: The Board voted to initiate proceedings. Chief Jerry Sheridan made a motion to initiate proceedings. Deputy Tamatha Villar seconded the motion and it was approved by a ten to one vote.

Case #2 Timothy D. Brookshire: The Board voted to close with an RF. Dr. Michael Polakowski made a motion to close with an RF. Chief Jerry Sheridan seconded the motion and it was approved by a ten to one vote.

Case #3 Micah L. Coleman: The Board voted to close with No Action. Deputy Tamatha Villar made a motion to close with No Action. Ms. Laura Reckart seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Case #4 Dean A. Flaherty: The Board voted to close with an RF. Chief Jack Harris recused himself from any participation. Ms. Lisa Flores made a motion to close with an RF. Ms. Laura Reckart seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Case #5 Brian K. Olsen: The Board voted to initiate proceedings. Chief Jerry Sheridan recused himself from any participation. Deputy Tamatha Villar made a motion to initiate proceedings. Ms. Laura Reckart seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Case #6 Christopher T. Wilson: The Board voted to close with an RF. Chief Jerry Sheridan recused himself from any participation. Ms. Laura Reckart made a motion initiate proceedings. Chief Patricia Huntsmand seconded the motion and it was not approved by a nine to three vote. Ms. Lisa Flores made a motion to close with an RF. Deputy Tamatha Villar seconded the motion and it was approved by a nine to three vote.

C. Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 a.m.

Dated this 15th day of September 2004.

**BY: _____
Carol S. Muskus, Recording Secretary**